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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated July 8, 2002, please refer to the following amendment and remarks.

Claims as currently presented:

1. A method of interfacing to a system comprising:
- receiving voice input data from a user;
 - identifying a language spoken by the user from the voice input data;
 - converting the voice input data into a first text in the identified language by recognizing the user's speech in the voice input data based at least in part on the language identifier;
 - parsing the first text to extract a keyword;
 - using the keyword as a command to an application;